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**Via electronic filing**

Cynthia T. Brown  
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20423

**Re: Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 2X), *New York Central Lines, LLC —  
Abandonment Exemption—in Middlesex County, Massachusetts***

Dear Ms. Brown:

Reference is hereby made to the letter, dated July 15, 2010 (and received by the Board on July 20, 2010), from Mr. Paul D. Le Bleu, Town Administrator, on behalf of each of the Town of Holliston ("Holliston") and the Town of Sherborn ("Sherborn" and, together with Holliston, the "Towns"), to the Board requesting a one-year extension of the NITU negotiating period (the "Extension Request") with respect to the line in the above-captioned proceeding.

CSX Transportation, Inc., as successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC ("CSXT"), hereby acknowledges and concurs with the Towns' extension request of one year (i.e., until August 22, 2011)<sup>1</sup>, as it has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with the Towns, and desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with the Towns.<sup>2</sup>

Accordingly, CSXT concurs with the Extension Request and also respectfully requests and extension of the consummation date for abandonment of the line to October 21, 2011.

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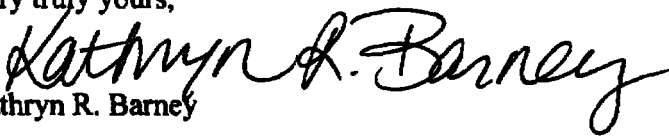
<sup>1</sup> Although the Extension Request exceeds the 180-day extension period typically granted by the Board when an extension is justified, CSXT will accept a one-year extension should the Board deem it permissible.

<sup>2</sup> As information, CSXT recently met with the Towns. CSXT is willing to agree to an additional extension with the hope that CSXT and the Towns can conclude negotiations for trail use within the NITU period.

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CSXT is e-filing this notice. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Very truly yours,

  
Kathryn R. Barney

cc: Paul D. Le Bleau (via email)